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Title : HOOK-ENGAGEABLE FASTENER SHEETS, AND METHODS AND ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.132

As a below-named inventor(s), I hereby declare:

That my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

That I, being named as co-inventor in Shepard et al. (WO 99/11452), did not conceive or invent the application of the light weight, non-woven, stretched and stabilized material as a component of a laminate, as disclosed in WO 99/11452.

That, to the best of my knowledge, Mr. William H. Shepard was the sole contributor of the information contained in the following paragraph from page 27 of WO 99/11452:

The loop product may be flame-laminated to other materials, such as to open-cell foam. The flame lamination process not only adheres the loop product to the foam, but stabilizes the foam. Products economically produced in this manner include disposable medical devices, such as limb or joint braces, straps for colostomy bags, and blood pressure cuffs. Other products include merchandise and trade show displays with large surfaces of loop product upon which hooks can be used for mounting various displays.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States

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Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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STATEMENT REGARDING COMMON OWNERSHIP

The undersigned, on behalf of Velcro Industries B.V., hereby state that the subject matter disclosed in Shepard et al. (WO 99/11452) and the claimed subject matter of the above captioned application U.S.S.N. 10/657,507 were, at the time of the invention of the claimed subject matter of U.S.S.N. 10/657,507, commonly owned by, or subject to an obligation of assignment to, Velcro Industries B.V., a Netherlands corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 27, 2005

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